RESOLUTION FOR 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE KOREAN WAR

WHEREAS, the Korean War began June 25, 1950, when 135,000 North Koreans invaded South Korea; and

WHEREAS, 33,651 Americans were killed during the Korean War which ended when the United States, North Korea and China signed an armistice on July 27, 1953; and

WHEREAS, more than 700 North Carolinians died and thousands more were wounded during this war; and

WHEREAS, veterans groups have requested the North Carolina Board of Transportation to install a special sign commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Korean War on North Carolina's interstate highways; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration allows the installation of temporary non-conforming signs for short periods of time.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved:

That the North Carolina Board of Transportation requests the North Carolina Department of Transportation install signs commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Korean War and honoring all veterans at entrance and exits points on North Carolina's five interstate highways (I-26, I-77, I-85, I-40 and I-95.)

That additional signs be installed on highways at locations near military bases and other areas of the state deemed appropriate.

That these signs remain in place until January 1, 2004, at which time they will be removed and turned over to the State Office of Veterans Affairs for appropriate disposition.

Adopted, this the fourth day of April 2002 by the North Carolina Board of Transportation.

Secretary of Transportation